

*"He FORBADE conflict and strife--  
a rigid prohibition in the Book. This  
is the Decree of God in this most  
great Manifestation; and God hath  
preserved it from annulment and  
clothed it with the brodered  
garment of confirmation. Verily, He  
is the All-Knowing, the All-Wise!"*

*--Book of the Covenant--*



*"This supreme and noble  
undertaking--the real source of the  
peace and well-being of all the  
world--should be regarded as  
SACRED by all that dwell on earth.  
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mobilized to ensure the stability  
and permanence of this Most Great  
Covenant."*

*--Secret of Divine Civilization--*

## THE GUARDIAN'S CONSTITUTIONAL EPISTLE

"O ye individuals of humanity, find ye means for the stoppage of this wholesale murder and bloodshed. Now is the appointed time! Now is the opportune time! Arise ye, show ye an effort, put ye forward an extraordinary force, and unfurl ye the Flag of Universal Peace and dam the irresistible fury of this raging torrent which is wreaking havoc and ruin everywhere."--'Abdu'l-Baha, *Star of the West*, Volume 4, p. 244.

"When all mankind shall receive the same opportunity of education and the equality of men and women be realized, the foundations of war will be utterly destroyed..."  
--'Abdu'l-Baha, PUP, p. 175.

"It is very evident that in the future there shall be no centralization in the countries of the world, be they constitutional in government, republican or democratic in form. The United States may be held up as the example of future government--that is to say, each province will be independent in itself, but there will be federal union protecting the interests of the various independent states. It may not be a republican or a democratic form. To cast aside CENTRALIZATION which promotes DESPOTISM is the EXIGENCY OF THE TIME. This will be productive of international peace."--'Abdu'l-Baha, PUP p. 167.

Dear Friends!

Allah'u'Abha!

It is my hope that this letter will find all the friends in happiness, health, and good cheer! According to 'Abdu'l-Baha, our world was created for us to be a paradise, yet in-fighting and quarrels of any nature deprive us of this divine gift:

"THE Lord of all mankind hath fashioned this human realm to be a Garden of Eden, an earthly paradise. If, as it must, it findeth the way to harmony and peace, to love and mutual trust, it will become a true abode of bliss, a place of manifold blessings and unending delights. Therein shall be revealed the excellence of humankind, therein shall the rays of the Sun of Truth shine forth on every hand.

"Remember how Adam and the others once dwelt together in Eden. No sooner, however, did a quarrel break out between Adam and Satan than they were, one and all, banished

from the Garden, and this was meant as a warning to the human race, a means of telling humankind that dissension--even with the Devil--is the way to bitter loss. This is why, in our illumined age, God teacheth that conflicts and disputes are not allowable, not even with Satan himself.

“Gracious God! Even with such a lesson before him, how heedless is man! Still do we see his world at war from pole to pole. There is war among the religions; war among the nations; war among the peoples; war among the rulers. What a welcome change would it be, if only these black clouds would lift from off the skies of the world, so that the light of reality could be shed abroad! If only the darksome dust of this continual fighting and killing could settle forever, and the sweet winds of God’s loving-kindness could blow from out the wellspring of peace. Then would this world become another world, and the earth would shine with the light of her Lord.

“If there is any hope, it is solely in the bounties of God: that His strengthening grace will come, and the struggling and contending will cease, and the acid bite of blood-dripping steel will be turned into the honey-dew of friendship and probity and trust. How sweet would that day be in the mouth, how fragrant as musk the scent thereof.

“God grant that the new year will bring a promise of the new peace!

“May He enable this distinguished assemblage to conclude a fair treaty and establish a just covenant, that you may be blessed forever, across the unborn reaches of time.”  
(‘Abdu’l-Baha, *Selections*, #220).

For us, whom God has raised up in His Name, this “Just Covenant” and “Fair Treaty” we have voluntarily chosen to enter within, is the Plan of God revealed in the Kitab-i-‘Ahd and delineated in the sacred Will and Testament (W&T) of ‘Abdu’l-Baha. This inviolable Covenant provides further for the Four Stage Constitution of Shoghi Effendi; the democratic election of the Supreme Tribunal that shall bring Universal Peace to the world; and the establishment of the Most Great Covenant: The prophesied Kellogg-Briand Paris Peace Pact that Outlaws ALL war, calls for the use of “pacific means”, and upholds the “Constitutional Requirements” of the Nations: thus preserving the Autonomy of ALL members, the rights of self-determination and self-defense, and the Universal Declaration of Unalienable Human Rights (derived directly from the twelve Principles of Baha’u’llah) for all human beings alike.

These four documents (the Kitab-i-‘Ahd, W&T, Four Stage Plan, and prophesied Kellogg-Briand Paris Peace Pact) form the four foundational and central documents of the Covenant and Plan of God today. These correspond to the four worlds of Qabala, the four chambers of the heart, and the four Loves, as explained by ‘Abdu’l-Baha in his Tablets and writings: and we, today, active in our fledgling world-wide global community who remain firm in the Covenant, are the first of all peoples to recognize, identify, and uphold the International Pact of Everlasting Peace (1928) made between all the peoples and nations of the world as SACRED.

“Moreover I will make a COVENANT OF PEACE with them [prophesied Kellogg-Briand Paris Peace Pact]; it shall be AN EVERLASTING COVENANT with them: and I will place them, and

multiply them, and will set my sanctuary [SUPREME TRIBUNAL] in the midst of them for evermore.” (Ezekiel 37:26 KJV).

“Know therefore that the LORD your God is God; he is the faithful God, keeping HIS COVENANT OF LOVE [prophesied Kellogg-Briand Paris Peace Pact] to a thousand generations of those who love him and keep his commandments.” (Deuteronomy 7:9 NIV).

This Infallible Covenant is our sacred promise to God and to one another. The Pact is sacred, trustworthy, and true!

We are the first people to uphold this Covenant of Love in both our personal practice and as public policy. We are the first people to know and understand this Sacred Pact as the rock-solid foundation of this new and burgeoning Golden Age of Civilization. And we are the first people to surrender our will to the Will of God in this all important and *sacred matter* of the permanent establishment of Universal and durable Peace in the Oneness of Humanity in this day, and for ever more, today.

What a great benefit and gift is this! How loving, caring, and mighty is our God who has created us all to know and love Him, and who comforts us all in our times of need!

We, the faithful today, know all too well how severe the tests, trials, and tribulations of holding fast and firm to this sacred Covenant can be. Yet these tests only serve to strengthen our purpose and to re-double our resolve. Should all the people of the world stand up together--one and all--to resist this Cause, any one of us, single alone and lowly, through the power of God, the power of Love, armed with the knowledge of God, reinforced by FACTS of God’s Plan--and understanding the power of prophecy fulfilled--and through the power of free speech is able to overcome them one and all! The zeal of the Lord of Hosts shall perform this.

Now, this Plan has been misconstrued, misrepresented, and perverted in its character and essence by usurpers and hijackers who seek to “rule the world” for their own personal empowerment, ill gained-profit, and self-aggrandizement.

These ones have misconstrued “divine civilization” for a mere “material civilization” like those wayward empires of the past, symbolized by a “beast” and a “dragon” whereas God has prophesied four independent and sovereign “living creatures” working together in a cooperative effort in a Federation that safeguards the Autonomy of all the nations, cultural diversity, and all individual freedoms.

Moreover, God has seen fit to set forth the six major religions of the world, three on the East, and three on the West, symbolized by “six wings” that are the six major Revelations given to the world so that all the people of the world may be empowered to fly free even as *seraphim* (Isaiah 6:2; Revelation 4:6)--unobstructed--in the heaven of God’s everlasting bounty, loving-kindness, compassion and mercy: Judaism, Christianity and Islam in the West; Hinduism, Zoroastrianism, and Buddhism in the East.

Through these combined Revelations, personal growth and spiritual practice of the individual is set forth--which is essentially private and mystical in nature; and the laws, ordinances, and teachings for an ever-advancing civilization are revealed for the firm foundation of an ever-progressive scientific based society, that shall end all wars, and bring peace to the world.

Yet man has laid aside the Plan of God, hijacked these faiths, “organized” these religions, usurped the powers of independent and unfettered investigation of the truth, and cluttered up the path between God and His creatures, with man-made doctrines, dogmas, rituals, and creeds, using “confusion” as a weapon against the reality of the truth, and propagating misinformation, disinformation, and downright lies to swerve the masses from the truth, that leads the foolish people--who thus allow themselves to be personally deceived--to die in these ruinous wars, and go headlong forever into the fire. Why? Why has this happened?

The reason God has allowed this to happen is two-fold. Firstly, so these usurpations will not take place again at any time in the future after the “world super-state” is established as the government for all peoples of the planet. And second, so that the true egalitarian nature, and real autonomous character--vouchsafing personal liberties and individual freedoms to all members--can be made known and everlastingly preserved: in direct contrast to these beast-like and dragon-orientated despotic usurpations. According to Shoghi Effendi:

“SOME FORM of a world super-state must needs be evolved, in whose favor all the nations of the world will have willingly ceded EVERY CLAIM to make WAR” (Shoghi Effendi, WOB).

And this is the pith of it!

“SOME FORM”! What form? Who is to say? Why should we listen? Why should we willingly obey?

According to the explicit text of the Covenant (Kitab-i-Aqdas/Kitab-i-‘Ahd), it is ‘Abdu’l-Baha who is to say. And according to the Will and Testament it is Shoghi Effendi and the Universal House of Justice (head and body both) after ‘Abdu’l-Baha who is to say:

“To none is given the right to put forth his own opinion or express his particular conviction. All must seek guidance and turn unto the Center of the Cause [Shoghi Effendi] and the House of Justice [head and body both]. And he that turneth unto whatsoever else is indeed in GRIEVOUS ERROR. The Glory of Glories rest upon you!” (W&T, p. 25).

Furthermore, it’s not just any “House of Justice” it is the one and only genuine and authentic Universal House of Justice of Baha’u’llah, the only one that has the living Davidic King as its president and executive branch (an “Aghsan”) “for life of that body”:

“And now, concerning the House of Justice which God hath ordained as the source of all good and freed from all error...By this House is meant the Universal House of Justice...By this body all the difficult problems are to be resolved and the Guardian of the Cause of God

is its sacred head and the distinguished [irremovable] member for life of that body....” (W&T, p. 14).

Suppose some of the members of the body of the IBC/UHJ deviate from the Explicit Texts that reveal the true inner Spirit and outward “Form” and “Style”?

“Should any of the members [of the body of the UHJ] commit a sin, injurious to the common weal, the Guardian of the Cause of God hath at his own discretion the right to expel him...” (W&T, p. 14).

In stage three and four of the Four Stage Constitution (the elected stages): “the people must elect another one in his [the fallen member’s] stead” (W&T, p. 14); and during the first and second appointed stages, the appointee can return and re-take their seat if and when they fully repent of their “sin, injurious to the common weal”--and this GUARDS the Cause from usurpation within as it is expressly stated: “the Guardian of the Cause of God hath at his own discretion the right to expel him”; and, therefore, to also welcome that misguided one back as stated: “As he [the Guardian] is the sign of God, the chosen branch (*ghusn*), the Guardian of the Cause of God... He is the Expounder/Interpreter of the Word of God” (W&T, p. 11).

And what violation is worse than attacking the Guardian, suing him in Federal Court, trying to have him jailed or imprisoned, backbiting him, shunning his company, using slander, calumny, and lies; and seeking to poison or destroy his life, alienating and attacking his friends, children, and loved ones, or murdering him in London?

“This House of Justice [head and body both] enacteth the laws and the government [the Executive/Guardian] enforceth them. The legislative body [appointed/elected members] must **reinforce the executive** [the Guardian] the executive must aid and assist the legislative body so that through the close union and harmony of these two forces, the foundation of fairness and justice may become firm and strong, that all the regions of the world may become even as Paradise itself.” (W&T, p. 15).

The loyal and active membership of the House is to **reinforce** the Guardian, not undermine him, in his “important work” as the Executive branch, now restricted to the House of Justice.

Why are these provisions of the Covenant to turn to ‘Abdu’l-Baha, Shoghi Effendi, and after him, to the Universal House of Justice (head and body both) so strict? Why are the appointed and elected members to strictly reinforce the Guardian? Why are the punishments listed in the Book of the Covenant and sacred Will and Testament for those who deviate even one “moment” or “a hair’s breadth” so dire and severe in both this life and the next?

The reason is because none are to deviate from the Form and Style of this Covenant and Constitution. None are to disagree upon the Interpretation of this Covenant and the application of the Form of this Constitution! Because this Covenant and Constitution is for the freedom and benefits of man. Not just one man, nor a small sectarian group of men, nor for a political few or elite. No. It is for the egalitarian benefits of ALL men, for the upliftment and benefit of all human kind!

When Shoghi Effendi says “some form” of “world super-state” what does that mean? To what does that refer?

Is it a fascist or totalitarian form? Is it to be a dictatorship or despotism? A dictatorship of the proletariat? An oligarchy? An aristocracy? An irrational theocracy? An autocracy? What form is it? And who is to say?

Therefore, it takes intelligent, educated people of discernment to understand this matter. To master and grasp the full implications of this Divine Economy in God. And this is the very crux of the matter! Why? Because ‘Abdu’l-Baha has stated this:

“The state is, moreover, based upon two potent forces, the legislative and the executive. The focal center of the executive power is the government [Aghsan: symbolized by a branch of wood], while that of the legislative is the learned [Alim: symbolized by a branch of iron], and if this LATTER GREAT SUPPORT and pillar should prove defective [continuing education of the Alim] how is it conceivable that the state should stand?” (‘Abdu’l-Baha, SDC).

Our explicit Holy Texts state the Form and Style of the government of our unorganized religious-spiritual community and organized progressive scientific society. Baha’u’llah has expressly revealed:

“Although a republican form of government profiteth all the peoples of the world, yet the majesty of kingship is one of the signs of God. We do not wish that the countries of the world should remain deprived thereof. If the sagacious combine the two forms into one, great will be their reward...” (Baha’u’llah, *Baha’i World Faith*)

This combination is contained and preserved in the true Constitution of the Genuine and Authentic Universal House of Justice of Baha’u’llah, recognized with the living descendant of King David as its president and executive branch. In fact, the very purpose of the descendant of King David being the president of Baha’u’llah’s Universal House of Justice (head and body both) is so that we can recognize the genuine and authentic Universal House of Justice (head and body both) of Baha’u’llah from all fakes, frauds, and imitations. The form of our society is a free and open society, a world spiritual democracy, a Constitutional monarchy, called the Kingdom of God on earth as it is in heaven, in which the Autonomy of all members is safeguarded and preserved:

“The foundation of this Cause is pure spiritual democracy.” “Just as in the world of politics there is need for free thought, likewise in the world of religion there should be the right of unrestricted individual belief. Consider what a vast difference exists between modern democracy and the old forms of despotism. Under an autocratic government the opinions of men are not free, and development is stifled, whereas in democracy, because thought and speech are not restricted, the greatest progress is witnessed. It is likewise true in the world of religion. When freedom of conscience, liberty of thought and right of speech prevail--that is to say, when every man according to his own idealization may give

expression to his beliefs--development and growth are inevitable” (‘Abdu’l-Baha, *Baha’i Scriptures*, p. 449; *Promulgation of Universal Peace*, p. 197).

“Let us also remember that at the very root of the Cause lies the principle of the undoubted right of the individual to self-expression, his freedom to declare his conscience and set forth his views...Let us also bear in mind that the keynote of the Cause of God is not dictatorial authority but humble fellowship, not arbitrary power, but the spirit of frank and loving consultation. Nothing short of the spirit of a true Baha’i can hope to reconcile the principles of mercy and justice, of freedom and submission, of the sanctity of the right of the individual and of self-surrender, of vigilance, discretion and prudence on the one hand, and fellowship, candor, and courage on the other.” (Shoghi Effendi, February 23, 1924).

“One thing and only one thing will unfailingly and alone secure the undoubted triumph of this sacred Cause, namely, the extent to which our own inner life and private character mirror forth in their manifold aspects the splendor of those eternal principles proclaimed by Baha’u’llah.” (Shoghi Effendi, September 24, 1924).

“The unity of the human race, as envisaged by Baha’u’llah, implies the establishment of a world commonwealth in which all nations, races, creeds and classes are closely and permanently united, and in which the AUTONOMY of its state members and the PERSONAL FREEDOM and initiative of the INDIVIDUALS that compose them are definitely and COMPLETELY SAFEGUARDED.” (Shoghi Effendi, WOB).

And furthermore:

“Let there be no mistake. The principle of the Oneness of Mankind--the pivot round which all the teachings of Baha’u’llah revolve--is no mere outburst of ignorant emotionalism or an expression of vague and pious hope. Its appeal is not to be merely identified with a reawakening of the spirit of brotherhood and good-will among men, nor does it aim solely at the fostering of harmonious cooperation among individual peoples and nations. Its implications are deeper, its claims greater than any which the Prophets of old were allowed to advance. Its message is applicable not only to the individual, but concerns itself primarily with the nature of those essential relationships that must bind all the states and nations as members of one human family. It does not constitute merely the enunciation of an ideal, but stands inseparably associated with an institution adequate to embody its truth, demonstrate its validity, and perpetuate its influence. It implies an organic change in the structure of present-day society, a change such as the world has not yet experienced. It constitutes a challenge, at once bold and universal, to outworn shibboleths of national creeds--creeds that have had their day and which must, in the ordinary course of events as shaped and controlled by Providence, give way to a new gospel, fundamentally different from, and infinitely superior to, what the world has already conceived. It calls for no less than **the reconstruction and the demilitarization of the whole civilized world**--a world organically unified in all the essential aspects of its life, its political machinery, its spiritual aspiration, its trade and finance, its script and language, and yet infinite in the diversity of the national characteristics of its federated units.

“It represents the consummation of human evolution--an evolution that has had its earliest beginnings in the birth of family life, its subsequent development in the achievement of tribal solidarity, leading in turn to the constitution of the city-state, and expanding later into the institution of independent and sovereign nations.”

“For the principle of the Oneness of Mankind, the cornerstone of Baha’u’llah’s world-embracing dominion, implies nothing more nor less than the enforcement of His scheme for the unification of the world--the scheme [a Supreme Tribunal upheld by the sacred Kellogg-Briand prophesied Paris Peace Pact Covenant] to which we have already referred. “In every Dispensation,” writes ‘Abdu’l-Baha, “the light of Divine Guidance has been focused upon one central theme.... In this wondrous Revelation, this glorious century, the foundation of the Faith of God and the distinguishing feature of His Law is the consciousness of the Oneness of Mankind.” (Shoghi Effendi, WOB).

Baha’u’llah has further defined **THE MISSION STATEMENT** of this combination of powers for His Genuine and Authentic Universal House of Justice (head and body both) in His *Lawh-i Dunya*, the Tablet of the World:

“First: It is incumbent upon the ministers of the House of Justice to promote [via education and spiritual ways and means] **the Lesser Peace** so that the people of the earth may be relieved from the burden of exorbitant expenditures. This matter is imperative and absolutely essential, inasmuch as hostilities and conflict lie at the root of affliction and calamity.” (Baha’u’llah).

Thus, it is **THE MISSION STATEMENT** of the true and authentic Baha’i Administration to educate all the people of the world to God’s prophesied Plan of Universal Peace for the Oneness of Humanity.

This means, furthermore, the UHJ, and the Institution of the Guardianship--now restricted to the House of Justice--is not over the Most Great Peace, rather its jurisdiction is over “matters of state” that concern the Lesser Peace **ONLY**; that is the proper, and well-oiled function, so to speak, of educating the people to uphold the Most Great Covenant that Outlaws war, and which provides for “peaceful means” via democratically electing the Supreme Tribunal to bring and maintain a permanent and durable lasting peace on earth for the settlement of all disputes.

The Prime Directive, as stated by ‘Abdu’l-Baha in his **Tablet on the Art of Governance**, is the non-interference in the political and material affairs of the nations and peoples of the world. The foundational work of the Universal House of Justice is educational only, providing spiritual guidance for the people in two main important points concerning the lesser peace.

First, is to educate all the people that the prophesied Kellogg-Briand Paris Peace Pact is SACRED; and second, that “peaceful means” (Article 2) can only be upheld functionally via the combined effort of our unified deeds to democratically elect the Supreme Tribunal correctly. According to ‘Abdu’l-Baha:



“True civilization will unfurl its banner in the midmost heart of the world whenever a certain number of its distinguished and high-minded sovereigns--the shining exemplars of devotion and determination--shall, for the good and happiness of all mankind, arise, with firm resolve and clear vision, to establish the Cause of Universal Peace. They must make the Cause of Peace the object of general consultation, and seek by every means in their power to establish a Union of the Nations of the world. They must conclude a binding treaty and establish a Covenant, the provisions of which shall be sound, inviolable and definite. They must proclaim it to all the world and obtain for it the sanction of all the human race. This supreme and noble undertaking--the real source of the peace and well-being of all the world--should be regarded as SACRED by all that dwell on earth. All the forces of humanity must be mobilized to ensure the stability and permanence of this Most Great Covenant. In this all-embracing PACT [legislated as the prophesied Kellogg-Briand Paris Peace Pact Covenant (1928)] the limits and frontiers of each and every nation should be clearly fixed, the principles underlying the relations of governments towards one another definitely laid down, and all international agreements and obligations ascertained. In like manner, the size of the armaments of every government should be strictly limited, for if the preparations for war and the military forces of any nation should be allowed to increase, they will arouse the suspicion of others. The fundamental principle underlying this solemn PACT should be so fixed that if any government later violate any one of its provisions, all the governments on earth should arise to reduce it to utter submission, nay the human race as a whole should resolve, with every power at its disposal, to destroy that government. Should this greatest of all remedies be applied to the sick body of the world, it will assuredly recover from its ills and will remain eternally safe and secure.” (‘Abdu’l-Baha, SDC).

Furthermore, in His Preface to the *Secret of Divine Civilization* (SDC), Baha’u’llah has revealed:

“For the sake of God are performed the deeds of those who have so arisen to serve the Cause that the clamor of the people hath not deterred them, nor the cruelty of men made them afraid. It is good that thou didst send a copy of **The Secret of Divine Civilization** (*Madaniyyih*) God grant it will prove useful. The reason that work was composed is as follows:

“One day, the Most Great Branch of God (‘Abdu’l-Baha)--may My spirit, Mine essence, My very being be a sacrifice for the ground which his footsteps have trodden--was standing in the Most Sublime and Most Holy Presence when the Tongue of the Ancient of Days, exalted be He, spoke these words:

“O Most Great Branch! It would be commendable if some pages were written on the causes of the world’s destruction and the means for its reconstruction, in such wise that it would humble the prejudiced to a degree, that this may prepare them to listen to the rustling of the Lote-Tree of utterance which can be heard in this day.”

“Other themes of this sort were also heard from the Ancient Tongue, and consequently, that Branch of God composed *The Secret of Divine Civilization*.

“Some are of the opinion that governance--which is conducive to the order, the tranquility, and the advancement of the world--is confined only to persons of great renown. How wretched is that which they have imagined! With God is the knowledge of all things in the Lucid Book. The whole of statecraft is concealed in a single remark:

“Conflict and Strife are forbidden, a rigid prohibition in the Book.” (Kitab-i-‘Ahd)

“Happy are they who have fixed their gaze upon it, and well is it with them that understand. Were they to act in accordance with that which God, magnified be His glory, hath revealed in this connection, all who dwell on earth would behold themselves in a state of peaceful repose.” (Baha’u’llah, SDC, preface).

Shoghi Effendi, has furthermore, reiterated in his explanation of Baha’u’llah’s Plan for Universal Collective Security, that the formation of this SACRED PACT in 1928 is the greatest human achievement in all human history for the safety, security, and salvation of all the people of the world:

“To take but one instance more fully: Observe the fierce and as yet unsilenced dispute which the proposal for the introduction of a Binding and Universal Pact of Non-Aggression [legislated August 27, 1928: prophesied Kellogg-Briand Paris Peace Pact Covenant] among the nations of Europe has aroused among the avowed supporters of the League of Nations...” (Shoghi Effendi, *Baha’i Administration*, October 18, 1927).

And again:

### “Baha’u’llah’s Principle of Collective Security

“A general PACT on Security [Prophesied Kellogg-Briand Paris Peace Pact, 1928] has been the central purpose towards which these efforts have, ever since the League was born, tended to converge...For the **FIRST TIME IN THE HISTORY OF HUMANITY** the system of Collective Security [League of Nations Covenant 2137: The General Treaty to Renounce War as National Policy, legislated August 27, 1928] foreshadowed by Baha’u’llah and explained by ‘Abdu’l-Baha, has been seriously envisaged, discussed and tested. **FOR THE FIRST TIME IN HISTORY** it has been officially recognized [in force July 24, 1929] and publicly stated that for this system of Collective Security [The Most Great Law: The Outlawry of War, Article 1] to be effectively established, strength and elasticity are both essential--strength involving the use of an adequate force [Article 3, of the Signatories “in accordance with their respective constitutional requirements”] to ensure the efficacy of the proposed system, and elasticity [Article 2 “*pacif means*” of the Supreme Tribunal] to enable the machinery that has been devised to meet the legitimate needs and aspirations of its aggrieved upholders. **FOR THE FIRST TIME IN HUMAN HISTORY** tentative efforts [World Court, League of Nations, and United Nations, all failed imitations of the authentic Supreme Tribunal of Baha’u’llah] have been exerted by the nations of the world to assume Collective Responsibility, and to supplement their verbal pledges by actual preparation for Collective Action. And again, **FOR THE FIRST TIME IN HISTORY**, a movement of public opinion [Sarah Farmer, Jane Addams, Andrew

Carnegie, Queen Marie of Romania, et al.] has manifested itself in support of the verdict [The Outlawry of War] which the leaders and representatives of nations have pronounced [August 27, 1928], and for securing Collective Action in pursuance of such a decision.” (Shoghi Effendi, WOB, pp. 191-192).

For the first time in history, the greatest event in all human achievement, in all human history--greater than the discovery of fire and more foundational than the invention of the wheel--has already taken place in the 20th Century, the Century of Universal Peace: **war**, for the first time in human history, has been **made illegal** and banned for ever more! Fire is used to burn people up, and the wheel to grind them into dust. This SACRED PACT is better than all that, and better than all other material advances and all material inventions combined together! And, moreover, the great event of the 21st Century shall be to uphold this Most Great Law through the “pacific means” of **ABOLISHING WAR**, altogether, and **for ever more!**

“For example, the question of Universal Peace, about which Baha’u’llah says that the Supreme Tribunal must be established:

“Although the League of Nations has been brought into existence, yet it is incapable of establishing universal peace. But the Supreme Tribunal which Baha’u’llah has described will fulfill this SACRED TASK with the utmost might and power. And His PLAN is this:

“That the national assemblies of each country and nation--that is to say parliaments--should elect two or three persons who are the choicest of that nation, and are well informed concerning international laws and the relations between governments and aware of the essential needs of the world of humanity in this day. The number of these representatives should be in proportion to the number of inhabitants of that country. The election of these souls who are chosen by the national assembly, that is, the parliament, must be confirmed by the upper house, the congress and the cabinet and also by the president or monarch so these persons may be the elected ones of all the nation and the government. The Supreme Tribunal will be composed of these people, and all mankind will thus have a share therein, for every one of these delegates is fully representative of his nation.

“When the Supreme Tribunal gives a ruling on any international question, either unanimously or by majority rule, there will no longer be any pretext for the plaintiff or ground of objection for the defendant. In case any of the governments or nations, in the execution of the irrefutable decision of the Supreme Tribunal, be negligent or dilatory, the rest of the nations will rise up against it, because all the governments and nations of the world are the supporters of this Supreme Tribunal.

“Consider what a firm foundation this is! But by a limited and restricted League the purpose will not be realized as it ought and should. This is the truth about the situation, which has been stated.” (‘Abdu’l-Baha, Tablet to the Hague).

“To disregard, though it be for a moment, this absolute command which is binding upon everyone, is in no wise permitted, that the existent world may become even as the Abha Paradise, that the surface of the earth may become heavenly, that contention and conflict

amidst peoples, kindreds, nations and governments may disappear, that all the dwellers on earth may become one people and one race, that the world may become even as one home. Should differences arise, they shall be amicably and conclusively settled by THE SUPREME TRIBUNAL, that shall include members from all the governments and peoples of the world.

“O ye beloved of the Lord! In this sacred Dispensation, conflict and contention are in no wise permitted. Every aggressor deprives himself of God's grace. It is incumbent upon everyone to show the utmost love, rectitude of conduct, straightforwardness and sincere kindness unto all the peoples and kindreds of the world, be they friends or strangers. So intense must be the spirit of love and loving kindness, that the stranger may find himself a friend, the enemy a true brother, no difference whatsoever existing between them. For universality is of God and all limitations earthly. Thus man must strive that his reality may manifest virtues and perfections, the light whereof may shine upon everyone. The light of the sun shineth upon all the world and the merciful showers of Divine Providence fall upon all peoples. The vivifying breeze reviveth every living creature and all beings endued with life obtain their share and portion at His heavenly board. In like manner, the affections and loving kindness of the servants of the One True God must be bountifully and universally extended to all mankind. Regarding this, restrictions and limitations are in no wise permitted.” (‘Abdu’l-Baha, W&T, p. 12-13).

Thus, the first point of God’s Plan for the genuine and authentic Supreme Tribunal, whose sole function and purpose is to END WAR, is that it be representative in nature, and that it be democratically elected, to safe-guard the Autonomy of all member Signatories, and to ward-off despotism, via decentralization, upholding the Independent nature of the “Constitutional Requirements” of all sovereign nations.

The second point of this Plan, delineated by ‘Abdu’l-Baha, in his same Tablet to the Hague, is that the Foundation of the Supreme Tribunal, and all its members as the living human embodiments of that Firm Foundation, be set firm and secure upon the Twelve Principles revealed by Baha’u’llah to establish the Oneness of Humanity and Universal Peace for all.

These Twelve Principles remarkably correspond to the Twelve Foundation Stones of the New Jerusalem (New Civilization of Peace--Salem (or Islam) literally means “peace”--as depicted in the prophetic imagery preserved in the Book of Revelation of Jesus Christ. According to Dr. Leland Jensen, Knight of Baha’u’llah and establisher of the Baha’i Faith:

“The “foundations of the wall” are described as precious stones. These stones have a spiritual significance. Each stone symbolizes one of the twelve basic principles of Baha’u’llah’s Revelation. Together these principles establish peace in the world and bring about God’s Kingdom on earth as it is in heaven.

“the first was jasper” symbolizes the oneness of mankind.

“the second sapphire” symbolizes Independent investigation of truth.

“the third agate (KJV: chalcedony)” symbolizes the oneness of religion.

“the fourth emerald” symbolizes Religion, a source of unity for all mankind.

“the fifth onyx (KJV: sardius)” symbolizes the principle that religion and science must agree.

“the sixth carnelian (KJV: sardonyx)” symbolizes the equality of men and women.

“the seventh chrysolite” symbolizes the removal of all prejudice.

“the eighth beryl” symbolizes universal peace.

“the ninth topaz” symbolizes universal education.

“the tenth chrysoprase” symbolizes the spiritual solution to all economic problems.

“the eleventh jacinth” symbolizes one universal language to be taught to all peoples.

“the twelfth amethyst” symbolizes The International Tribunal.

“For more information on these twelve basic principles refer to the book, *Paris Talks*, by ‘Abdu’l-Baha.” (Dr. Leland Jensen, *Revelation Explained*).

The third point necessary for the successful formation of the Supreme Tribunal is that the Authorship and Authenticity of this Plan be duly ascribed to the Authentic Source of this Plan: the person of Baha’u’llah:

“It may be that some foolish person among the Persians will affix his name to the contents of the Tablets of Baha’u’llah or to the explanations given in the letters of ‘Abdu’l-Baha and send it to that esteemed Assembly. Ye must be aware of this fact, for any Persian [or person or “group” even falsely claiming to be “Baha’i”] who seeks fame or has some other intention will take the entire contents of the Tablets of Baha’u’llah and publish them in his own name or in that of his community, just as happened at the Universal Races Congress in London before the war [and which has occurred today with the company of covenant-breaking “Hands” based in Haifa, Israel, at the root of all these current wars]. A Persian took the substance of the Epistles of Baha’u’llah, entered that Congress, gave them forth in his own name and published them, whereas the wording was exactly that of Baha’u’llah.

“Some such souls have gone to Europe [and today the covenant-breaking impostors have usurped the Baha’i Office at the United Nations in New York City] and have caused confusion in the minds of the people of Europe and have disturbed the thoughts of some Orientalists [such as Iran]. Ye must bear this FACT in mind, for not a word of these teachings was heard in Persia before the appearance of Baha’u’llah. Investigate this matter so that it may become to you evident and manifest. Some souls are like parrots. They learn any note which they may hear, and sing it, but they themselves are unaware of what they

utter. There is a sect in Persia at present made up of a few souls who are called Babis [now masquerading as mainstream “Baha’is” suing the person of the living Guardian in the 10th Circuit Federal Court in Denver, Colorado, in the United States of America], who claim to be followers of the Bab [and Baha’u’llah] whereas they are utterly unaware of Him. They have some “secret teachings” [despotic centralized world takeover schemes] which are entirely opposed to the teachings of Baha’u’llah and in Persia [Iran] people know this. But when these souls come to Europe, they conceal their own teachings and utter those of Baha’u’llah, for they know that the teachings of Baha’u’llah are powerful and they therefore declare publicly those teachings of Baha’u’llah in their own name [headless bogus phony “monster” UHJ in Haifa, Israel, and hijacked American Baha’i Temple, based outside Chicago, Illinois]. As to their secret teachings, they say that they are taken from the Bayan [and the Covenant of Baha’u’llah and sacred Will and Testament of ‘Abdu’l-Baha] and the Bayan is from the Bab. When ye obtain the translation of the Bayan [and an authentic copy of the sacred Will and Testament of ‘Abdu’l-Baha, translated by Shoghi Effendi into English, that is the “Charter of the Kingdom” (see WOB, p.144 for more)], which has been translated in Persia [Iran], ye will discover the truth that the teachings of Baha’u’llah are utterly opposed to the teachings of this sect [based in Haifa and Chicago]. Beware lest ye disregard this FACT! Should ye desire to investigate the matter further, enquire from Persia [the current nation of Iran]. (‘Abdu’l-Baha, Tablet of the Hague).

Baha’u’llah gives three proofs for His Authenticity. The first proof is His Person. The second proof is the direct and immediate experience of the Manifestation of the Revelation. The third proof is the writings.

These covenant-breaking masqueraders state, His Person is gone. There will not be another “manifestation” for a full thousand or two thousand years, so all that is left are the writings: which they have interpolated, such as the text of **Some Answered Questions** in which they have removed ‘Abdu’l-Baha’s prophecy for the appearance of the “seventh angel” for example. They mutilated that text in 2015, and everyone is free to compare the original addition with their bogus one for themselves as both texts are available free of price on line, on the internet.

The point is this: all three Proofs exist all at once, in every day and age, for all generations. The authentic writings for the Oneness of Humanity and Universal Peace are extant and available to all. The direct and immediate experience of the Manifestation of the Most Great Peace is available via the receipt of our rays of the holy spirit within our soul and inner being, and the Manifestation of the Lesser Peace--outer Universal Peace on earth--is available when we all cooperate together to uphold the prophesied Kellogg-Briand Paris Peace Pact and duly elect the Supreme Tribunal to end all wars collectively and properly. And the first proof, His Person, is continued in the Lesser Covenant (Kitab-i-‘Ahd and sacred Will and Testament of ‘Abdu’l-Baha] down through the generations after Him in His “designated Person of Legal Succession,” now entitled the Guardianship of the Cause of God: who is the “sacred head” and irremovable “distinguished member for life of that body” by which we can recognize the genuine Universal House of Justice (head and body both) of Baha’u’llah from all fakes, frauds, and imitations.

This is the purpose of God continuing the living Davidic Kingship in every day and age: to recognize and identify and acknowledge the true person of the legal successorship of Baha’u’llah

and ‘Abdu’l-Baha, so that the authentic Universal House of Justice (head and body both) of Baha’u’llah can be recognized and acknowledged by all the people, so that all the people can become personally educated that the prophesied Kellogg-Briand Paris Peace Pact is SACRED, and duly form the International Supreme Tribunal properly and correctly to end all wars once and for all time.

Read the sacred Will and Testament of ‘Abdu’l-Baha for yourself. They have no Guardian. **They are the covenant-breakers!**

Thus, the Supreme Tribunal must be formed on these three points: first democratically elected by Universal representation. Second founded on the 12 Principles of the Oneness of Humanity and Universal Peace. Third, Baha’u’llah must be recognized, identified, and openly and publicly acknowledged as the authentic and genuine Author of this PLAN. Why?

Firstly, we’re not plagiarists (a high crime in academia and science): by God we are obligated to give credit where credit is due. Second, for this EXPERIMENT of Universal Peace to work, we need to know the exact Provenance of these ideas and the true origin of this PLAN in case we have to go back to the drawing board to make necessary upgrades and supplemental adjustments. Third, we need to be able to fully recognize, identify, and acknowledge Baha’u’llah’s LEGAL Authoritative successor, the true and authentic Universal House of Justice of Baha’u’llah (head and body both), the only one in the world with the living descendant of King David, now entitled the Guardian, as it’s executive branch and president according to the provisions of the sacred Will and Testament of ‘Abdu’l-Baha which is “the Charter of the Kingdom” (WOB, p. 144) in order to receive the correct meaning, spirit, and form of this applied Plan in every day and age. Otherwise without these three things, the person and the correct writings, we will not be able to have the current experience (*zuhur*) of the Revelation of Universal Peace in the Oneness of Humanity in the present moment as promised and prophesied in the Infallible Plan of God.

Therefore, the genuine and Authentic Universal House of Justice (head and body both) of Baha’u’llah--that must be ACKNOWLEDGED and “officially recognized” by all peoples and governments of the world--is restricted to upholding (via non-interference through educational means) the Lesser Peace, and the Guardianship is restricted to the Universal House of Justice, and neither Twin Institution is to be “over” the Most Great Peace, which is upheld by our individuality and freedoms in God as we understand that individually, privately, and personally.

To wit: the God Ordained Author of the prophesied Kellogg-Briand Paris Peace Pact has clearly set forth its limits:

“The eighth Ishraq:

“This passage, now written by the Pen of Glory, is accounted as part of the Most Holy Book (*Kitab-i-Aqdas*): The members of God’s House of Justice have been charged with the affairs of the people. They, in truth, are the Trustees of God among His servants and the daysprings of authority in His countries...All matters of State should be referred to the House of Justice, but *acts of worship* must be observed [not dictated or organized] according to that which God hath revealed in His Book.” (Baha’u’llah, *Ishraqat*).

Therefore, it is in accordance with the explicit texts of the Covenant, the Mission Statement and Constitution of the Universal House of Justice (head and body both) that all ones are to remain sovereign and free discerning individuals in God, and to voluntarily choose to cooperate together in all matters of state, so that there shall be “no compulsion in religion” and so that war shall remain outlawed and be abolished for ever more.

It is the Covenant that safeguards our individuality and freedoms; and it is **the constitutional attack** against the Covenant that deprives us.

Regarding the unity in diversity revealed in the Baha’i Holy writ, ‘Abdu’l-Baha further states:

“The Universal House of Justice has only the legislative function; the executive power belongs to the administrative department of the government [the executive branch, that is the head of the UHJ--Davidic, now entitled the Guardian]... Again, I repeat, the House of Justice whether National or Universal, has only legislative power, and not executive power. For example, in Europe and America the Parliament or Congress enacts laws, while the government executes these laws. **The House of Justice cannot fulfill two functions at the same time**--legislative and executive...” (‘Abdu’l-Baha, *Star of the West*, Vol. 7 No. 15, p. 139).

Shoghi Effendi reiterates:

“Acting in conjunction with each other these two inseparable institutions [The Executive and Legislative Branches of the UHJ head and body both] administer its affairs, coordinate its activities, promote its interests, execute its laws and defend its subsidiary institutions. Severally, each operates within a clearly defined sphere of jurisdiction; each is equipped with its own attendant institutions--instruments designed for the effective discharge of its particular responsibilities and duties. Each exercises, within the limitations imposed upon it, its powers, its authority, its rights and prerogatives. These are neither contradictory, nor detract in the slightest degree from the position which each of these institutions occupies. Far from being incompatible or mutually destructive, they supplement each other’s authority and functions, and are permanently and fundamentally united in their aims.

“Divorced from the institution of the Guardianship [of the living Davidic King] the World Order of Baha’u’llah’s [Universal House of Justice] would be mutilated and permanently deprived of that hereditary principle [father to son lineage of the everlasting throne-line of King David; see Psalm 89 for more] which, as ‘Abdu’l-Baha has written, has been invariably upheld by the Law of God....Without such an institution [the hereditary Executive Branch of the UHJ of David] the integrity of the Faith would be imperiled, and the stability of the entire fabric would be gravely endangered. Its prestige would suffer, the means required to enable it to take a long, an uninterrupted view over a series of generations would be completely lacking, and the necessary guidance to define the sphere of the legislative action of its elected [or appointed] representatives would be totally withdrawn.” (Shoghi Effendi, *World Order of Baha’u’llah*, p. 148)



Now, the world “super-state” that shall be the democratically elected Supreme Tribunal that shall bring peace to the world founded upon the Most Great Covenant of the prophesied Kellogg-Briand Paris Peace Pact to end all wars, is **NOT** the institution of our true Universal House of Justice of Baha’u’llah and it is NOT the executive branch of our Universal House of Justice, the living Davidic King, now entitled Guardian of the Cause of God. Shoghi Effendi states:

“As regards the International Executive referred to by the Guardian in his “Goal of a New World Order”, it should be noted that this statement refers by no means to the Baha’i Commonwealth of the future, but simply to that world government which will herald the advent and lead to the final establishment of the World Order of Baha’u’llah. The formation of this International Executive, which corresponds to the executive head or board in present-day national governments, is but a step leading to the Bahá’í world government of the future, and hence should not be identified with either the institution of the Guardianship or that of the International House of Justice.” (Shoghi Effendi, 17 March 1934)

Our focus today as real Baha’is is the focus on developing the principles enshrined within our own communities--building up Godly Activity Centers (*Mashriqu’l-Adhkars* with their attendant humanitarian institutions)--in which we fully enjoy the full freedoms the outer war-torn world, at present, can only hope to enjoy and to attain in the near future.

Furthermore, the Baha’is were forbidden to elect the body of the International Baha’i Council/Universal House of Justice until AFTER the Supreme Tribunal was democratically elected first to bring peace to the world.

It is only AFTER the Supreme Tribunal is formed--and the Great Peace of Our Time (the lesser outer peace between the nations) is firmly and permanently established--that stage three of the four stage Constitution shall take place: and the International Baha’i Council, having been a duly recognized Baha’i Court, shall then become an elected body. After that, the elected body will fully effloresce into the fully elected International Universal House of Justice. Thus, the Twin Institutions of the Guardianship (always a hereditary father to son appointment) and the fully elected Universal House of Justice (head and body both) will stand side by side in complete support of the Supreme Tribunal that shall bring peace to all the world, all ones--every individual human being--upholding the prophesied Kellogg-Briand Paris Peace Pact as SACRED.

In that world free of war, according to the explicit texts of the Covenant, Baha’u’llah has revealed: “the governments of the earth hath been vouchsafed unto them” (Kitab-i-‘Ahd); that is vouchsafed to the political and governmental leaders of the world.

Ours is to win the hearts of the people over to God, and that includes the hearts of the government leaders too.

The mistake of the violators and covenant-breakers who attempted to hijack and who blatantly abandoned our Cause is that “even as impure gold”--like a hitler or a napolean--they sought to “rule the world”; and thus violated the Covenant, did away with the Guardianship, separated themselves from God, attempted to “lord it over the people”, so to speak, “organize” the unorganized religious community; and in the words of ‘Abdu’l-Baha, thus “deprived themselves

and perturbed and poisoned others” (W&T, p. 12). I feel sorry and profound regret for those ones who refuse to read the text of the sacred Will and Testament of ‘Abdu’l-Baha for themselves, and thus see the truth with their own eyes and not through the eyes of their neighbor. Those who do not read it are doomed as unsuspecting “dupes” to always be tricked and fooled again. And those who HAVE read it, and have willfully gone against it: “Verily we wronged them not, but they have wronged themselves.” As stated in the holy writ: “There, but for the GRACE of God, go I.”

We, the true ones, are religious teachers and spiritual educators, guides and well-wishers of all human kind! We are focused upon achieving Universal Peace in the Oneness of Humanity in our own community relations and conveying that love to the rest of all the people of the world to the best of our abilities. We are to “shun politics” like “the plague.” We did not come across the prophesied Kellogg-Briand Paris Peace Pact through “politics”--but through PROPHECY!

The Supreme Tribunal is Baha’u’llah’s Infallible Inter-Faith solution to the world’s problems based upon the prophesied Kellogg-Briand Paris Peace Pact Covenant of 1928. Baha’u’llah didn’t come to bring “another religion” to the world, per se. No. He came to reveal God’s Plan fully, as contained in condensed versions in all religious traditions and faiths of the world, to outlaw and abolish and remove all war for all time. His is a Revelation of what it truly means to be a tender, tough-minded, compassionate, loving, kind, merciful, and just human being. A spirit being in a temporary and fragile mortal coil.

Dearest Friends! Ours is a free and open divine civilization based upon the Covenant of Baha’u’llah and the sacred Will and Testament of ‘Abdu’l-Baha, and these two things: material civilization and spiritual civilization are in harmony with one another:

“Material civilization, through the power of punitive and retaliatory laws, restraineth the people from criminal acts; and notwithstanding this, while laws to retaliate against and punish a man are continually proliferating, as ye can see, no laws exist to reward him. In all the cities of Europe and America, vast buildings have been erected to serve as jails for the criminals [Today this also includes the ICC: International Criminal Court to prosecute egregious violators of the Kellogg-Briand Pact].

“Divine civilization, however, so traineth every member of society that no one, with the exception of a negligible few, will undertake to commit a crime. There is thus a great difference between the prevention of crime through measures that are violent and retaliatory, and so training the people, and enlightening them, and spiritualizing them, that without any fear of punishment or vengeance to come, they will shun all criminal acts. They will, indeed, look upon the very commission of a crime as a great disgrace and in itself the harshest of punishments. They will become enamored of human perfections, and will consecrate their lives to whatever will bring light to the world and will further those qualities which are acceptable at the Holy Threshold of God.” (‘Abdu’l-Baha, *Selections from the Writings of Abdu’l-Baha*, pp. 132-133).

Thus, an International Criminal Court without a duly elected Supreme Tribunal (to end all wars in the first place) is rubbish.

Our scientific society and unorganized religious community *is* a Divine Civilization. As delineated by ‘Abdu’l-Baha, it ultimately amounts to self-government and full concentration of power on the local community level. In its fullest expression it is the perfect blending of the spiritual and material aspects:

“Material civilization is like unto the lamp, while spiritual civilization is the light in that lamp. If the material and spiritual civilization become united, then we will have the light and the lamp together, and the outcome will be perfect. For material civilization is like unto a beautiful body, and spiritual civilization is like unto the spirit of life. If that wondrous spirit of life enters this beautiful body, the body will become a channel for the distribution and development of the perfections of humanity.” (‘Abdu’l-Baha, PUP).

The way one local community interprets the Baha’i way of life is diverse and different than the way another local community interprets and implements that way of life. Each local community has renounced war against all other local communities. Local communities democratically elect their national/regional body (the secondary Universal House of Justice) with authority centralized, so all local Universal Houses of Justice will cooperate in harmony--in federation--with power concentrated locally and upon the free individual. The local Universal House of Justice has the right to legislate affairs not explicitly provided in the explicit Holy Texts for their local community. Should differences arise between local Universal Houses of Justice, or between an individual member and a local House, the secondary Universal House of Justice is the settlement of dispute, according to the provisions of the ‘Charter of the Kingdom” (WOB, p. 144), the sacred Will and Testament of ‘Abdu’l-Baha.

Each secondary Universal House of Justice is autonomous and independent from every other secondary Universal House of Justice. These have agreed to renounce war with one another, use pacific means to settle differences, and to respect each other’s boundaries according to the Baha’i Constitutions of each local and Secondary Universal House of Justice. Should insurmountable differences arise between any secondary Universal Houses of Justice, the International Universal House of Justice with the living Davidic King as its President, according to the sacred Will and Testament of ‘Abdu’l-Baha is the final settlement of all Baha’i disputes. Only the International Universal House of Justice has “conferred infallibility” as described in **Some Answered Questions**, and as explicitly stated in the text of the Covenant that the International UHJ (head and body both) is “the source of all good” and “freed from all error” (W&T, p. 14). Why?

Because this is a universal, worldwide Federal System, that preserves the Autonomy of all members, and empowers all individuals equally so within the unorganized religious community that sustains our scientific society in God. Unity-in-diversity, a world spiritual democracy with a living descendant of King David as its president and equal member. Without an educated population of independent discerning individual thinkers the legislative branch shall wither, our society shall fall, though the divine religion of God, and His everlasting Covenant to David, will stand.

“Science is the first emanation from God toward man. All created beings embody the potentiality of material perfection, but the power of intellectual investigation and scientific acquisition is a higher virtue specialized to man alone. Other beings and organisms are

deprived of this potentiality and attainment. God has created or deposited this love of reality in man. The development and progress of a nation is according to the measure and degree of that nation's scientific attainments. Through this means its greatness is continually increased, and day by day the welfare and prosperity of its people are assured.” (‘Abdu’l-Baha, PUP).

Now, we today live in difficult and dangerous and damaging times! At present we have no individual people declared to be as covenant-breakers. Instead, we have taken Baha’u’llah’s Inter-Faith approach to the healing and remedies of all the ills of the world: including the open attacks against us by the misbelievers. This does not mean that we do not have avowed enemies and ill-wishers of our Cause and community. Those former members are misbelievers, and are spiritually sick and ill unto death. These ones have no voting rights, and form no part of Our current Baha’i Administration and egalitarian culture. These ones are the obvious and fully open outright enemies of the person of the Guardian, and are outrightly against the Infallible Institution of the IBC/UHJ (head and body both); and as such, are wronging no one other than themselves. They should be approached with caution, because their confused state and paranoid fear-based “limerent” insecurities are contagious, inflicted upon them by the woes of the world, that plunges itself into World War Three. Association with them saps the happiness and zeal of the active friends and shining new-comers to this Cause all who are caught up in the exuberant enthusiasm of God, the true Spirit of our Age needed to magnetize AND INSPIRE the world into the love and knowledge of God so that the Supreme Tribunal may be duly and properly elected, and the Most Great Covenant upheld to end all wars to bring Universal Peace to the earth. The zeal of the Lord of Hosts alone shall perform this! The exuberant Love of God in the Oneness of Humanity shall prevail; as the Power of Love casts out all fear.

“There is no fear in love, but perfect love casts out fear. For fear has to do with punishment, and whoever fears has not been perfected in love.” (1 John 4:18 ESV)

It is up to each individual firm in the Covenant to make their own personal discernment in regards to the true state and conditions of these other ones, sick and infirm. Our strength is in numbers, and our strength is within the Love of God; and each real Baha’i is charged with guarding the faith, and defending the Twin Institutions of the Guardianship and Universal House of Justice (on all three levels) today. All ones currently active in the faith, sheltered within the Ark of Salvation, the current worldwide Baha’i Administration under the provisions of the Covenant today, is, without doubt, firm in the Covenant: Trustworthy, loyal, and true!

As our numbers continue to grow, more national Houses of Justice shall appear, and are appearing every day. The local and National House have the right and power to guard the faith via voting rights removal. Only the national or secondary House of Justice has the authority to decide who is in violation of the Covenant; and that determination is confined to the members of their own respective jurisdictions. Should anyone, of one nation, interfere with the internal affairs of another secondary House of Justice of another region, that one has violated the Covenant and has removed themselves from the faith, in both this world and the next.

The first nine individuals in a nation or region over the age of 21 form a secondary House of Justice by joint Declaration. Their task is to build up at least four stable local communities with four

functional local Houses of Justice (one in each community) to call for the democratic election of the secondary House. No member of any community within one secondary House has any right to interfere with the teaching work and community building of another national House. Individual members should not interfere with the important work of other individuals. The local House, and no one individual, governs the community affairs of their respective local community democratically upholding the rights of the individual, and fostering group cooperation for conjoint community building and forming functional and free Godly Activity Centers with attendant humanitarian institutions: for medicine, education, arts, science, agriculture, and all human needs. All members have the right to redress grievance, the right to appeal, the franchise to teach, the freedom of speech, the freedom to worship, the freedom of expression, the freedom to learn and to grow, and the freedom of an unobstructed livelihood and occupation.

Those who came into this Cause before us were determined to overthrow the Constitutional Democracy of our communities and to violate the rights of others by making superior “spiritual claims,” asserting “delusions of grandeur,” assaulting the faithful with accusations, “politicking” that is forbidden, calling a party unto themselves, forming “cliques,” making new-comers and others feel unwelcome, “othering,” and attempting to cause trouble and foment discord and strife, by undermining the pure spiritual democracy of our voting institutions and individual sovereign rights and freedoms.

The secondary House has no right to interfere in the business of the local community. And the International Universal House of Justice has no business interfering in the interests of any autonomous national community or local community. The International Universal House of Justice is to uphold the rights and liberties and freedoms of the individual, not to stifle nor undermine personal development, expression, or practice. The local, and national (or secondary) Universal House of Justice has the highest instrument for protection of the faith: voting rights removal. Below this are fines, reprimands, censures, and other remedies provided for in the Aqdas and the science of parliamentary procedure we follow utilizing Robert’s Rules of Order, and the 5-Stage Process of Shoghi Effendi for Baha’i Consultation.

Every secondary Universal House of Justice should refrain in all instances of declaring a former member to be in the condition of covenant-breaking. Voting rights removal is enough of a sanction to educate the wayward and the weak minded and the sick to potentially--and only upon full recovery--have their voting rights restored and be accepted into the fold as a member in good standing. The Local House of Justice cannot declare someone to be in violation of the Covenant. Thus, what is essential, especially as the world moves deeper and deeper into World War Three is that each individual be discerning, in and of themselves, to use proper channels, and to utilize all available methods, **BE INDIVIDUALLY DISCERNING**, to Guard the Faith! This is the commandment of ‘Abdu’l-Baha:

“Thus, with the greatest regret, I counsel you saying: Guard ye the Cause of God, protect His law and have the utmost fear of discord.” (‘Abdu’l-Baha, W&T, p. 19).

“And now, one of the greatest and most fundamental principles of the Cause of God is to shun and avoid entirely the Covenant-breakers, for they will utterly destroy the Cause of

God, exterminate His Law and render of no account all efforts exerted in the past.” (W&T, p. 20).

Therefore, dear friends, today the Triumph of the Cause is made manifest. Those who have scheduled the Deposition of the Guardian for December 19, 2024, are those depleted remnant of misguided souls who followed Ruhiyyih Khanum (the covenant-breaking wife of the first Guardian) and the “Hands” who followed along with her into the violation of grievous error.

Meanwhile the banner of the faith is hoisted triumphant, and our international combined teaching effort to announce the prophesied Kellogg-Briand Paris Peace Pact has been successfully noised abroad throughout the entire world! The nations that are fighting today are not to blame for this ruinous war. The blood of the people is literally upon the hands of “the Hands”.

These ones violated the Covenant by throwing out Shoghi Effendi’s Four Stage Plan for the Constitution of the Universal House of Justice; created a headless “monster” UHJ (Dr. Jensen’s words); and in so doing, by-passed the democratic election of the Supreme Tribunal (that is Inter-Faith) that will bring peace to the world.

Likewise, we have been betrayed and abandoned by a small number of ones, weak in faith, who once professed allegiance to our Cause, who were the former students and companions of the establisher of the Baha’i Faith, Dr. Leland Jensen, and whom have also wrongly sought to oppose and protest against the current living Guardian, in his name, in order to overthrow the IBC/UHJ, and attempt to change the inner nature and pervert the outer form of our egalitarian scientific society. They failed.

How foolish these misbelievers are! Who like the “Hands” before them, have sought to self-aggrandize rule, power, and authority over the friends under various pretexts for themselves, hiding personal ambition for “world take over schemes” within their malevolent hearts, and devising “plots” to confuse and divide the faithful (to form small personal cliques of sycophants around their own loved-starved egos) using methods of slander, backbiting, calumny and lies “to scatter the gathering of the people of Baha”--only to deprive their very own selves from the bounties of God, and the tremendous love, compassion and Loving-kindness of the unceasing merciful outpouring and bounty of God in this day today. And do we not see world leaders confused by these same poisonous ambitions and rotten concepts and tactics today? Yet even now, these are turning in prayer for the guidance of God to alleviate the curse of war that has befallen them, due directly to blame, by the violators of the Covenant, former members, and who Muhammad calls “the hypocrites” that only masquerade as “Baha’i.” Why? Why has God allowed these things to happen?

The gist of the violation of the Hands, is to reveal that this Revelation is Scientific and the religion of God--founded upon the personal practice of individual private prayer and fasting, with work elevated to the station of worship--is not to be organized as an “organized religion” in any way shape or form; it is to be decentralized to revoke and prevent any and all despotisms in all their forms, and to awaken all ones that we are to be free discerning (*fajir/furqan*) people, and no one is to foist themselves as a “spiritual authority” above any other one, and none are to seek for any “others” to do their thinking for them. All must see the truth with their own eyes and not through

the eyes of another. The Hidden Words are to be lived in our deeds! No blind faith. No bunk science. “Love casts fear out!” AND “God shall be all in all for everyone!”

“Regarding the very delicate and complex question of ascertaining the qualifications of a true believer, I cannot in this connection emphasize too strongly the supreme necessity for the exercise of the utmost discretion, caution and tact, whether it be in deciding for ourselves as to who may be regarded a true believer or in disclosing to the outside world such considerations as may serve as a basis for such a decision. I would only venture to state very briefly and as adequately as present circumstances permit the principal factors that must be taken into consideration before deciding whether a person may be regarded a true believer or not.

“Full recognition of the station of the Forerunner, the Author, and the True Exemplar of the Baha’i Cause, as set forth in ‘Abdu’l-Baha’s Testament; unreserved acceptance of, and submission to, whatsoever has been revealed by their Pen; loyal and steadfast adherence to every clause of our Beloved’s sacred Will; and close association with the spirit as well as the form of the present day Baha’i administration throughout the world--

“These I conceive to be the fundamental and primary considerations that must be fairly, discreetly and thoughtfully ascertained before reaching such a vital decision. Any attempt at further analysis and elucidation will, I fear, land us in barren discussions and even grave controversies that would prove not only futile but even detrimental to the best interests of a growing Cause. I would therefore strongly urge those who are called upon to make such a decision to approach this highly involved and ever-recurring problem with the spirit of humble prayer, and earnest consultation, and to refrain from drawing rigidly the line of demarcation except on such occasions when the interests of the Cause absolutely demand it.” (Shoghi Effendi, *Baha’i Administration*, p. 90).

“Some form” of “world super-state” is being fashioned by God through current events today. Our community stands for the core values of the Oneness of Humanity and Universal Peace for all. Our society is all inclusive. Our society is a scientific society of independent thought and powers of discernment and powers of free speech. We are a religious community; and that private practice empowers us to carry forward the Divine Mission of Baha’u’llah and ‘Abdu’l-Baha as their heirs and chosen and appointed legal successors to guide the people of the world into upholding the prophesied Kellogg-Briand Paris Peace Pact Covenant, as they understand that from their respective Inter-Faith traditions, AS SACRED: in order for all the people of the world to democratically elect the Supreme Tribunal properly according to the Plan of God to bring peace to all the world and abolish all war for ever more.

Following herein is the complete passage of Shoghi Effendi (see below) submitted for your consideration and approval. May **The Experiment** continue!

O Thou kind Lord! Thou hast created all humanity from the same stock. Thou hast decreed that all shall belong to the same household. In Thy Holy Presence they are all Thy servants, and all mankind are sheltered beneath Thy Tabernacle; all have gathered together at Thy Table of Bounty; all are illumined through the light of Thy Providence.

O God! Thou art kind to all, Thou hast provided for all, dost shelter all, conferrest life upon all. Thou hast endowed each and all with talents and faculties, and all are submerged in the Ocean of Thy Mercy.

O Thou kind Lord! Unite all. Let the religions agree and make the nations one, so that they may see each other as one family and the whole earth as one home. May they all live together in perfect harmony.

O God! Raise aloft the banner of the oneness of mankind.

O God! Establish the Most Great Peace.

Cement Thou, O God, the hearts together.

O Thou kind Father, God! Gladden our hearts through the fragrance of Thy love. Brighten our eyes through the Light of Thy Guidance. Delight our ears with the melody of Thy Word, and shelter us all in the Stronghold of Thy Providence.

Thou art the Mighty and Powerful, Thou art the Forgiving and Thou art the One Who overlooketh the shortcomings of all mankind.

I remain yours in el-Abha,

your servant,

Neal.

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“Some form of a world super-state must needs be evolved, in whose favor all the nations of the world will have willingly ceded every claim to make war, certain rights to impose taxation and all rights to maintain armaments, except for purposes of maintaining internal order within their respective dominions. Such a state will have to include within its orbit an international executive adequate to enforce supreme and unchallengeable authority on every recalcitrant member of the commonwealth; a world parliament whose members shall be elected by the people in their respective countries and whose election shall be confirmed by their respective governments; and a supreme tribunal whose judgment will have a binding effect even in such cases where the parties concerned did not voluntarily agree to submit their case to its consideration.”(Shoghi Effendi, WOB).

“During the last six thousand years nations have hated one another, it is now time to stop. War must cease. Let us be united and love one another and await the result. We know the effects of war are bad. So let us try, as an **EXPERIMENT**, peace, and if the results of peace are bad, then we can choose if it would be better to go back to the old state of war! Let us in any case make the **EXPERIMENT**. If we see that unity brings Light we shall continue it. For six thousand years we



have been walking on the left-hand path; let us walk on the right-hand path now. We have passed many centuries in darkness, let us advance towards the light.” (*‘Abdu’l-Baha in London*, pp. 61-62).

“This war is indeed ruinous and devastating in its effects. However, afterwards, the number of peace-loving people will grow considerably, and the commotion, uproar and the mighty tumult will precipitate Universal Peace...May God deal justly with those who caused these wars and conflicts, who have caused so much bloodshed and trouble. Indeed, they have undermined the prosperity of the people...”--‘Abdu’l-Baha.

“The ideals of Peace must be nurtured and spread among the inhabitants of the world; they must be instructed in the school of Peace and the evils of war. First: The financiers and bankers must desist from lending money to any government contemplating to wage an unjust war upon an innocent nation. Second: The presidents and managers of the railroads and steamship companies must refrain from transporting war ammunition, infernal engines, guns, cannons and powder from one country into another. Third: The soldiers must petition, through their representatives, the Ministers of War, the politicians, the Congressmen and the generals to put forth in a clear, intelligible language the reasons and the causes which have brought them to the brink of such a national calamity. The soldiers must demand this as one of the prerogatives. “Demonstrate to us”, they must say, “that this is a just war, and we will then enter into the battlefield otherwise we will not take one step.... Come forth from your hiding-places, enter into the battlefield if you like to attack each other and tear each other to pieces if you desire to air your so-called contentions. The discord and feud are between you; why do you make us, innocent people, a party to it? If fighting and bloodshed are good things, then lead us into the fray by your presence!”

“In short, every means that produces war must be checked and the causes that prevent the occurrence of war be advanced;--so that physical conflict may become an impossibility. On the other hand, every country must be properly delimited, its exact frontiers marked, its national integrity secured, its permanent independence protected, and its vital interests honoured by the family of nations. These services ought to be rendered by an impartial, international Commission. In this manner all causes of friction and differences will be removed. And in case there should arise some disputes between them, they could arbitrate before the Parliament of Man, the representatives of which should be chosen from among the wisest and most judicious men of all the nations of the world.” (*‘Abdu’l-Baha, Star of the West, Vol. 5, no. 8, pp. 115-117*).

“It shall come to pass in the latter days  
that the mountain of the house of the Lord  
shall be established as the highest of the mountains,  
and shall be lifted up above the hills;  
and all the nations shall flow to it,  
and many peoples shall come, and say:

“Come, let us go up to the mountain of the Lord,  
to the house [Universal House of Justice (head and body both)]  
of the God of Jacob,  
that he may teach us his ways

and that we may walk in his paths.”

“For out of Zion [the place of David’s throne]  
shall go forth the law [prophesied Kellogg-Briand Paris Peace Pact],  
and the word of the Lord from [New] Jerusalem [in the Rocky Mountains].

“He [Baha’u’llah] shall judge between the nations,  
and shall decide disputes for many peoples;  
and they shall beat their swords into plowshares  
[democratically elect the Supreme Tribunal],  
and their spears into pruning hooks [Abolish War for ever];  
nation shall not lift up sword against nation,  
neither shall they learn war anymore.” (Isaiah 2:2-4 ESV).

“Of the increase of his government and of peace there will be no end,  
on the throne of David and over his kingdom,  
to establish it and to uphold it with justice  
and with righteousness from this time forth and forevermore.  
The zeal of the LORD of hosts will do this.” (Isaiah 9:7 ESV).

“My Covenant will I not break,  
nor alter the thing that is gone out of my lips.  
Once have I sworn by my holiness that I will not lie unto David.  
His seed shall endure for ever, and his throne as the sun before me.  
It shall be established for ever as the moon,  
and as a faithful witness in heaven.” (Psalm 89:34-37 KJV).

“For thus says the Lord: ‘David shall never lack a man  
to sit on the throne of the [Universal] House  
[of Justice (head and body both)] of Israel’” (Jeremiah 33:17 KJV).

“The Most Great Law [prophesied Kellogg-Briand Paris Peace Pact Covenant] has come! The Ancient Beauty [Baha’u’llah] ruleth upon the throne of David. Thus hath My Pen spoken that which the histories of by-gone ages have related!” (Baha’u’llah, Kitab-i-Aqdas: *Proclamation of Baha’u’llah*, p. 89).